

EBB TIDE AT MONMOUTH.

DAYS OF GLOOM FOR THE RACE-TRACK.

ONLY FORTY-THREE BOOKMAKERS IN THE BETTING-RING—SMALL FIELDS AND POOR SPORT.

THE MELANCHOLY EFFECTS OF

FIGHTING THE NEWSPAPERS.

Only forty-three bookmakers in the betting ring at Monmouth yesterday! There were eighty-six bookmakers at the first drawing on July 3. So the daily revenue of the association from the betting ring has been reduced one-half, from \$8,000 to \$4,000. How do the stockholders like the outlook for dividends? It is certain that unless the number of bookmakers is increased largely at the next drawing and the drawings which will follow, and unless the gate receipts, as well as the revenues from the betting ring, reach much higher figures than they have been reaching, the racing at Monmouth Park this season will show an actual loss to the stockholders, and not a profit. It is the injudicious policy of racing six days each week is persisted in to the end.

How will the stockholders relish the results of the football fight waged by their executive committee against the press and against the public? The committee must realize by this time what a silly blunder they made in trying to dictate to the newspapers what they shall publish in regard to the racing at Monmouth Park. Their action has been a reflection, and has caused in the parts of the country. They have stirred up a more serious, extensive and intense hostility against racing than that which existed before. They have encouraged all the adversaries of the turf to assail it with more acrid and vitriolic attacks than before. They have cast suspicion upon their own motives. They have provoked in many quarters an active and dangerous enemy, which had been dormant until they took their ill-considered action. When the hasty and fore-tempered members of the Executive Committee decided to exclude the press from the track, they had written articles which these members of the committee did not like, they stirred up a strife which is likely to prove very injurious in its effects upon the reputation and prosperity of the association, and they took a step which must materially damage in the long run the property which is in their hands.

The total number of starters in the six races yesterday was twenty-nine, a feeble and scanty array, and the afternoon passed without even a ripple of enthusiasm. It was rather the poorest of the many past days of racing when the patrons of Monmouth Park have been asked to endure.

The first affair was a dash of five and a half furlongs between Addie, Hugh Penny and Woodchopper. The last named animal was evidently in the \$100 third money, for he had not one chance in fifty of beating the other two. McCafferty rode Hugh Penny and told his friends that the colt was likely to win, but Addie beat him in easy fashion. The second race dwindled down to a match between Stonewall and Reckon. The former was a 1 to 10 chance going to the post, his owner giving each book as much as it would take. When this commission was on, Mr. Dwyer began backing Stonewall in the time books. He took 7 to 10 under 1:12, and even money under 1:11. Lambie must have been informed of these bets, for he rode the colt every foot of the journey, punching him hard with his heels all through the last quarter. The time made was 1:10 1/2 and Mr. Dwyer cashed his tickets.

Mr. Belmont's call on the third race, yet each of the others left a stable following. The winner was the Prentiss stable's Lightfoot, a fine-looking filly by Linden out of Eklorn Lass. She has shown improvement with every race, and both she and Belvedere may win a number of races for Mr. Galway.

Lady Violet won her first race of the season in the fourth contest. She was an overwhelming favorite and won easily, but the class of time betters was very poor. She was better now than at any time before this year, and may yet give the colts a good run.

Lucas and Stonewall were the most freely supported of the nine that ran in the fifth race, and the finish was between them, with Sam Lucas the winner. Pendulum, the Ranocens entry, was well thought of, but in the race he failed to warrant support he received, and was outclassed from the start.

The last race was a complete upset of the talent's calculations. Miss Maude was heavily backed, but both were beaten. Lady Pulsifer and Best Brand, the outsiders, having the finish between them. There is an air of mystery about the turf column of "The New-York Times" of yesterday:

Asot, who was known in the spring as the Astolat gelding, was brought over from Brighton Beach for an old-fashioned killing in the fifth race. Asot might have won if Lady Violet had not even ordinary ability, but he rode as badly as ever. Lady Violet, an 8 to 1 shot, and by the uncertain Crossville colt, Roland Reed lost his speed somewhere in the race. The rider of Roland Reed's speed will return to his stud, and the owner of the gelding, perhaps it may be found in his next race. Bertram did the best he could with him.

DETAILS OF THE RACING.

FIRST RACE—Heavy handicap. Five and a half furlongs. Betting. St. Pl.

Ranocens Stable's b. f. Addie, by Ironhorse, 112 lbs. (Lambie) 1-5 1-4
McCafferty & Woodward's b. g. Hugh Penny, 110 lbs. (Dwyer) 2-5 1-2
J. W. Smith's b. c. Woodchopper, 105 lbs. (Bergin) 3-8 1-6

Time—1:05.

Woodchopper was beaten in the first quarter mile. The others ran neck and neck until opposite the club stand. Addie then began to draw color and she was an easy winner by a length and a half; Hugh Penny beat Woodchopper three lengths.

SECOND RACE—Special weights. Six furlongs. Betting. St. Pl.

M. P. Dwyer's ch. c. Stonewall, by Stonewall, 112 lbs. (Lambie) 1-10 1-10
J. A. H. D. H. Morris's ch. m. Reckon, 100 lbs. (Dwyer) 2-7 1-2
Time—1:10.

Chesapeake, Comanche and Fly declined to start. This left it practically a walkover for Stonewall, for he made all the running, and won by eight lengths. Lambie rode the gelding, and was outclassed from the start.

THIRD RACE—For two-year-olds. Special weights. Five and a half furlongs. Betting. St. Pl.

Prentiss Stable's ch. f. Lightfoot, by Linden, 103 lbs. (Bergin) 1-4 1-6
A. H. D. H. Morris's b. f. Reckon, 100 lbs. (Dwyer) 2-5 1-2
Benton Stable's b. c. Woodchopper, 105 lbs. (Bergin) 3-8 1-6
Dwyer, 100 lbs. (Bergin) 3-8 1-6
Tracoon, 120 lbs. (Bergin) 3-8 1-6

Time—1:10.

Nahma, on the outside, soon had a lead of two lengths, but in a good finish beat her by a head with Lightfoot; Nahma second, five lengths before Enchantress.

FOURTH RACE—Special weights. Six furlongs. Betting. St. Pl.

Benton Stable's b. f. Lady Pulsifer, by The 112 lbs. (Lambie) 1-5 1-4
D. P. Pulsifer's b. f. Best Brand, 110 lbs. (Dwyer) 2-5 1-2
W. W. Lewis's b. c. Jack Level, 120 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6
Magnolia, 108 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6
Reginald, 108 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6

Time—1:10.

Minotaur and Worcester were scratched. Lady Pulsifer and Reginald were first and second for five furlongs. Reginald then stopped as if shot. Lady Pulsifer won under a pull by three lengths; Tiny Tim second, five lengths before Jack Level. It was said that Reginald had broken a blood vessel. It was not said whether he had broken a blood vessel when he returned to the stable, as no blood was seen when he returned to the stable.

FIFTH RACE—For maiden two-year-olds. Special weights. Five furlongs. Betting. St. Pl.

Marcus Daly's b. c. Sam Lucas, by The 112 lbs. (Lambie) 1-5 1-4
A. H. D. H. Morris's b. f. Reckon, 100 lbs. (Dwyer) 2-5 1-2
Unek Stable's ch. f. Mimosa, 100 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6
Egbert, 112 lbs. (Lambie) 1-5 1-4
A. H. D. H. Morris's b. f. Reckon, 100 lbs. (Dwyer) 2-5 1-2
Pendulum, 104 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6
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W. W. Lewis's b. c. Jack Level, 120 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6
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Time—1:10.

Innocent and Drum Major did not start. Stonewall led to near the end, where Sam Lucas got up and in a bad drive won the race by a head. Stonewall beat Mimosa Queen four lengths from second place.

SIXTH RACE—Selling. One mile. Betting. St. Pl.

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J. W. Rogers's b. c. Best Brand, 110 lbs. (Dwyer) 2-5 1-2
B. J. Littlefield's b. f. Miss Maude, 110 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6
Nahma, 108 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6
Mr. Carr, 100 lbs. (Dwyer) 3-8 1-6

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